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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

This is a request for continued examination of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

The following submission was previously filed on August 5, 2002:

X Response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2002, with Appendix A and Exhibit 1.

A check in the amount of \$1,140.00 is also being filed herewith, \$740.00 of which covers the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-0370 for any of the following fees: additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 that may be

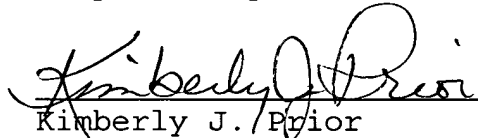
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required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the finality of the outstanding office action, entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks filed August 5, 2002. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent or Cathryn Campbell with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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